§514.1 Annual fees.

- (a) Each gaming operation under the jurisdiction of the Commission shall pay to the Commission annual fees as established by the Commission. The Commission, by a vote of not less than two of its members, shall adopt the rates of fees to be paid.
- (1) The Commission shall adopt preliminary rates for each calendar year no later than February 1st of that year, and, if considered necessary, shall modify those rates no later than July 1st of that year.
- (2) The Commission shall publish the rates of fees in a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER.
- (3) The rates of fees imposed shall be— $\,$
- (i) No more than 2.5 percent of the first \$1,500,000 (1st tier), and
- (ii) No more than 5 percent of amounts in excess of the first \$1,500,000 (2nd tier) of the assessable gross revenues from each gaming operation subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- (4) If a tribe has a certificate of selfregulation, the rate of fees imposed shall be no more than .25 percent of as-

sessable gross revenues from self-regulated class II gaming operations.

- (b) For purposes of computing fees, assessable gross revenues for each gaming operation are the annual total amount of money wagered on class II and III games, admission fees (including table or card fees), less any amounts paid out as prizes or paid for prizes awarded, and less an allowance for amortization of capital expenditures for structures.
- (1) Unless otherwise provided by the regulations, generally accepted accounting principles shall be used.
- (2) The allowance for amortization of capital expenditures for structures shall be either:
- (i) An amount not to exceed 5% of the cost of structures in use throughout the year and 2.5% (two and one-half percent) of the cost of structures in use during only a part of the year; or
- (ii) An amount not to exceed 10% of the cost of the total amount of amortization/depreciation expenses for the year
 - (3) Examples of computations follow:
- (i) For paragraph (2)(i) of this section:

Gross	gaming revenues: Money wagered	\$1,000,000 5,000	
.			1,005,000
Less:	Prizes paid in cash	\$500,000 10,000 495,000	510,000
	Capital expenditures for structures made in— Prior years Current year Maximum allowance: $\$750,000 \times .05 =$ $50,000 \times .025 =$	750,000 50,000 37,500 1,250	38,750
	Assessable gross revenues		456,250
(ii) l tion:	For paragraph (2)(ii) of this sec-		
Gross	gaming revenues: Money wagered Admission fees	 5,000	\$1,000,000 1,005,000
Less:	Prizes paid in cash	\$500,000 10,000	510,000

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Gross gaming profit	495,000	
Less allowance for amortization of capital ex-		
penditures for structures:		
Total amount of amortization/depreciation per		
books	400,000	
Maximum allowance:		
\$400,000 × .10 =		40,000
Gross gaming revenues	455,000	
Assessable gross revenues	455,000	

- (4) All class II and III revenues from gaming operations are to be included.
- (c) Each gaming operation subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission and not exempt from paying fees pursuant to the self-regulation provisions shall file with the Commission a statement showing its assessable gross revenues for the previous calendar year.
- (1) These statements shall show the amounts derived from each type of game, the amounts deducted for prizes, and the amounts deducted for the amountzation of structures;
- (2) These statements shall be sent to the Commission on or before June 30th and December 31st of each calendar year.
- (3) The statements shall identify an individual or individuals to be contacted should the Commission need to communicate further with the gaming operation. The telephone numbers of the individual(s) shall be included.
- (4) Each gaming operation shall determine the amount of fees to be paid and remit them with the statement required in paragraph (c) of this section. The fees payable shall be computed using—
- (i) The most recent rates of fees adopted by the Commission pursuant to paragraph (a)(1) of this section,
- (ii) The assessable gross revenues for the previous calendar year as reported pursuant to this paragraph, and
- (iii) The amounts paid and credits received during the year.
- (5) Each statement shall include the computation of the fees payable, showing all amounts used in the calculations. The required calculations are as follows:
- (i) Multiply the previous calendar year's 1st tier assessable gross revenues by the rate for those revenues adopted by the Commission.

- (ii) Multiply the previous calendar year's 2nd tier assessable gross revenues by the rate for those revenues adopted by the Commission.
- (iii) Add (total) the results (products) obtained in paragraphs (c)(5)(i) and (ii) of this section.
- (iv) Multiply the total obtained in paragraph (c)(5)(iii) of this section by $\frac{1}{2}$.
- (v) The amount computed in paragraph (c)(5)(iv) of this section is the amount to be remitted.
- (6) Examples of fee computations follow:
- (i) Where a filing is made for June 30th of the calendar year, the previous year's assessable gross revenues are \$2,000,000, the fee rates adopted by the Commission are 0.0% on the first \$1,500,000 and .08% on the remainder, the amounts to be used and the computations to be made are as follows:

1st tier revenues— $\$1,500,000 \times$	
0.0% =	
2nd tier revenues—500,000 \times	
.08% =	\$400
Annual fees	400
Multiply for fraction of year—½	
or	.50
Fees for first payment	200
Amount to be remitted	200

- (7) The statements, remittances and communications about fees shall be transmitted to the Commission at the following address: Office of Finance, National Indian Gaming Commission, 1441 L Street, NW., Suite 9100, Washington, DC 20005. Checks should be made payable to the National Indian Gaming Commission (do not remit cash).
- (8) The Commission may assess a penalty for failure to file timely a statement.
- (9) Interest shall be assessed at rates established from time to time by the

Secretary of the Treasury on amounts remaining unpaid after their due date.

(d) The total amount of all fees imposed during any fiscal year shall not exceed the statutory maximum imposed by Congress. The Commission shall credit pro-rata any fees collected in excess of this amount against amounts otherwise due by June 30th and December 31st of each calendar year.

(e) Failure to pay fees, any applicable penalties, and interest related thereto may be grounds for:

- (1) Closure, or
- (2) Disapproving or revoking the approval of the Chairman of any license, ordinance, or resolution required under this Act for the operation of gaming.
- (f) To the extent that revenue derived from fees imposed under the schedule established under this paragraph are not expended or committed at the close of any fiscal year, such funds shall remain available until expended to defray the costs of operations of the Commission.

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PART 515—PRIVACY ACT PROCEDURES

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§515.1 Purpose and scope.

(a) The purpose of this part is to inform the public of records maintained by the Commission about identifiable

individuals and to inform those individuals how they may gain access to and amend records concerning themselves.

(b) This part carries out the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-579) codified at 5 U.S.C. 552a.

(c) The regulation applies only to records disclosed or requested under the Privacy Act of 1974, and not to requests for information made pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552, the Freedom of Information Act.

§ 515.2 Definitions.

As defined in the Privacy Act of 1974 and for the purposes of this part, unless otherwise required by the context, the following terms shall have these meanings:

- (a) *Individual* means a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence.
- (b) Maintain means maintain, collect, use, or disseminate.
- (c) Record means any item, collection, or grouping of information about an individual that is maintained by the Commission, including education, financial transactions, medical history, and criminal or employment history, and that contains the individual's name, or the identifying number, symbol, or other identifier assigned to the individual, such as social security number, finger or voice print, or a photograph.
- (d) System of records means a group of any records under the control of the Commission from which information is retrieved by the name of the individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifier assigned to the individual.
- (e) Routine use means, with respect to the disclosure of a record, the use of such record for a purpose that is compatible with the purpose for which it was collected.

§515.3 Identification of individuals making requests.

(a) Any individual may request that the Commission inform him or her whether a particular record system named by the individual contains a record pertaining to him or her and the contents of such record. Such requests shall conform to the requirements of